

# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

EASTERN District of PENNSYLVANIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

BENJAMIN EASLEY

## JUDGMENT IN A CRIMINAL CASE

Case Number: DPAE2:13CR00061-003&14CR00140-001

USM Number: 57799-066

Heather J. Mattes, Esquire  
Defendant's Attorney

### THE DEFENDANT:

☒ pleaded guilty to count(s) Counts 1 through 18 and 20 through 24 of indictment No. 13-61-3 and counts 1, 3, and 6 of indictment No. 14-140-001

☐ pleaded nolo contendere to count(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
which was accepted by the court.

☐ was found guilty on count(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
after a plea of not guilty.

The defendant is adjudicated guilty of these offenses:

Title & Section	Nature of Offense	Offense Ended	Count
(13-61)18:1344 & 2	Bank fraud and aiding and abetting.	10-7-2011	1
(13-61)18:1028A(a)(1) 18:371	Aggravated identity theft and aiding and abetting. Conspiracy.	10-4-2011 12-5-2011	2 3
(13-61)18:1344 & 2	Bank fraud and aiding and abetting.	11-28-2011	4
(13-61)18:1344 & 2	Bank fraud and aiding and abetting.	12-1-2001	5
(13-61)18:1344 & 2	Bank fraud and aiding and abetting.	12-5-2011	6

The defendant is sentenced as provided in pages 2 through 12 of this judgment. The sentence is imposed pursuant to the Sentencing Reform Act of 1984.

☐ The defendant has been found not guilty on count(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Count(s) 2,4 and 5 of indictment No. 14-140-001 is ☒ are dismissed on the motion of the United States.

It is ordered that the defendant must notify the United States attorney for this district within 30 days of any change of name, residence, or mailing address until all fines, restitution, costs, and special assessments imposed by this judgment are fully paid. If ordered to pay restitution, the defendant must notify the court and United States attorney of material changes in economic circumstances.

cc  
H. Mattes, Esq.  
K.T. Newton, AUSA  
M. Lowe, AUSA  
US Probation (2)cc  
US Pretrial (1)cc  
Flu (1)cc  
Fiscal (1)cc  
USMS (2)cc  
SIT

April 25, 2016

Date of Imposition of Judgment

Signature of Judge

Cynthia M. Rufe, U.S.D.J.

Name and Title of Judge

Date

April 27, 2016

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### ADDITIONAL COUNTS OF CONVICTION

<u>Title &amp; Section</u>	<u>Nature of Offense</u>		<u>Count</u>
(13-61)18:1344 & 2	Bank fraud and aiding and abetting.	11-9-2009	7
(13-61)18:1028A(a)(1)&2	Aggravated identity theft and aiding and abetting.	11-9-2009	8
(13-61)18:1028A(a)(1)&2	Aggravated identity theft and aiding and abetting.	10-10-2011	9
(13-61)18:1028A(a)(1)&2	Aggravated identity theft and aiding and abetting.	10-17-2011	10
(13-61)18:1028A(a)(1)&2	Aggravated identity theft and aiding and abetting.	10-17-2011	11
(13-61)18:1028A(a)(1)&2	Aggravated identity theft and aiding and abetting.	10-31-2011	12
(13-61)18:1028A(a)(1)&2	Aggravated identity theft and aiding and abetting.	11-28-2011	13
(13-61)18:1028A(a)(1)&2	Aggravated identity theft and aiding and abetting.	12-5-2011	14
(13-61)18:1028A(a)(1)&2	Aggravated identity theft and aiding and abetting.	10-14-2011	15
(13-61)18:1028A(a)(1)&2	Aggravated identity theft and aiding and abetting.	12-14-2011	16
(13-61) 18:1344 & 2	Bank fraud and aiding and abetting.	1-4-2010	17
(13-61) 18:1344 & 2	Bank fraud and aiding and abetting.	7-9-2011	18
(13-61)18:1028A(a)(1)&2	Aggravated identity theft and aiding and abetting.	1-4-2010	20
(13-61)18:1028A(a)(1)&2	Aggravated identity theft and aiding and abetting.	7-15-2010	21
(13-61)18:1028A(a)(1)&2	Aggravated identity theft and aiding and abetting.	12-24-2010	22
(13-61)18:1028A(a)(1)&2	Aggravated identity theft and aiding and abetting.	1-2-2011	23
(13-61)18:1028A(a)(1)&2	Aggravated identity theft and aiding and abetting.	2-24-2011	24
(14-140) 18:1344 & 2	Bank fraud and aiding and abetting.	3-31-2011	1
(14-140) 18:1344 & 2	Bank fraud and aiding and abetting.	12-17-2011	3
(14-140)18:1028A(a)(1)&2	Aggravated identity theft and aiding and abetting.	12-17-2011	6

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## IMPRISONMENT

The defendant is hereby committed to the custody of the United States Bureau of Prisons to be imprisoned for a total term of:

120 months on each of Counts 1,4, 5,6, 7, 17 and 18 of indictment no. 13-61, all terms to run concurrently to each other; 60 months on Count 3 of indictment no. 13-61, to run concurrently to the terms of sentence imposed on Counts 1,4,5,6,7,17 and 18; 24 months on each of Counts 2, 8-16, and 20-24 of indictment no. 13-61, to run concurrently to each other, but consecutively to the terms of sentence imposed on Counts 1,3,4,5,6,7,17 and 18, for a total term of 144 months;

The court makes the following recommendations to the Bureau of Prisons:

The Court recommends that defendant be designated to FCI-Fort Dix and/or an institution where he can access appropriate medical care, intensive mental health and drug and alcohol treatment and participate in the Bureau of Prisons Inmate Financial Responsibility Program and remain close to his family.

☒ The defendant is remanded to the custody of the United States Marshal.

The defendant shall surrender to the United States Marshal for this district:

☐ at \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ a.m. ☐ p.m. on \_\_\_\_\_.

☐ as notified by the United States Marshal.

The defendant shall surrender for service of sentence at the institution designated by the Bureau of Prisons:

before 2 p.m. on \_\_\_\_\_.

☐ as notified by the United States Marshal.

☐ as notified by the Probation or Pretrial Services Office.

## RETURN

I have executed this judgment as follows:

Defendant delivered on \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
at \_\_\_\_\_, with a certified copy of this judgment.

UNITED STATES MARSHAL

By \_\_\_\_\_  
DEPUTY UNITED STATES MARSHAL

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### **ADDITIONAL IMPRISONMENT TERMS**

120 months on each of counts 1 and 3 of indictment no. 14-140, terms to run concurrently to each other and the terms of sentence imposed on counts 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,17 and 18 of indictment no. 13-61; and 24 months on Count 6 of indictment no. 14-140 to run consecutively to the sentences imposed on Counts 1 and 3, but concurrently to Counts 2,8-16, and 20-24 of indictment number 13-61, for a total term of 144 months.

The Court directs that defendant be credited with all time served while in custody on these matters.

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### SUPERVISED RELEASE

Upon release from imprisonment, the defendant shall be on supervised release for a term of :

Five years (see next page)

The defendant must report to the probation office in the district to which the defendant is released within 72 hours of release from the custody of the Bureau of Prisons.

The defendant shall not commit another federal, state or local crime.

The defendant shall not unlawfully possess a controlled substance. The defendant shall refrain from any unlawful use of a controlled substance. The defendant shall submit to one drug test within 15 days of release from imprisonment and at least two periodic drug tests thereafter, as determined by the court.

☐ The above drug testing condition is suspended, based on the court's determination that the defendant poses a low risk of future substance abuse. *(Check, if applicable.)*

X The defendant shall not possess a firearm, ammunition, destructive device, or any other dangerous weapon. *(Check, if applicable.)*

X The defendant shall cooperate in the collection of DNA as directed by the probation officer. *(Check, if applicable.)*

The defendant shall comply with the requirements of the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (42 U.S.C. § 16901, *et seq.*) as directed by the probation officer, the Bureau of Prisons, or any state sex offender registration agency in which he or she resides, works, is a student, or was convicted of a qualifying offense. *(Check, if applicable.)*

☐ The defendant shall participate in an approved program for domestic violence. *(Check, if applicable.)*

If this judgment imposes a fine or restitution, it is a condition of supervised release that the defendant pay in accordance with the Schedule of Payments sheet of this judgment.

The defendant must comply with the standard conditions that have been adopted by this court as well as with any additional conditions on the attached page.

### STANDARD CONDITIONS OF SUPERVISION

- 1) the defendant shall not leave the judicial district without the permission of the court or probation officer;
- 2) the defendant shall report to the probation officer in a manner and frequency directed by the court or probation officer;
- 3) the defendant shall answer truthfully all inquiries by the probation officer and follow the instructions of the probation officer;
- 4) the defendant shall support his or her dependents and meet other family responsibilities;
- 5) the defendant shall work regularly at a lawful occupation, unless excused by the probation officer for schooling, training, or other acceptable reasons;
- 6) the defendant shall notify the probation officer at least ten days prior to any change in residence or employment;
- 7) the defendant shall refrain from excessive use of alcohol and shall not purchase, possess, use, distribute, or administer any controlled substance or any paraphernalia related to any controlled substances, except as prescribed by a physician;
- 8) the defendant shall not frequent places where controlled substances are illegally sold, used, distributed, or administered;
- 9) the defendant shall not associate with any persons engaged in criminal activity and shall not associate with any person convicted of a felony, unless granted permission to do so by the probation officer;
- 10) the defendant shall permit a probation officer to visit him or her at any time at home or elsewhere and shall permit confiscation of any contraband observed in plain view of the probation officer;
- 11) the defendant shall notify the probation officer within seventy-two hours of being arrested or questioned by a law enforcement officer;
- 12) the defendant shall not enter into any agreement to act as an informer or a special agent of a law enforcement agency without the permission of the court; and
- 13) as directed by the probation officer, the defendant shall notify third parties of risks that may be occasioned by the defendant's criminal record or personal history or characteristics and shall permit the probation officer to make such notifications and to confirm the defendant's compliance with such notification requirement.

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### ADDITIONAL SUPERVISED RELEASE TERMS

This term consists of terms of five years on each of Counts 1,4,5,6,7,17 and 18 of indictment no. 13-61 and Counts 1 and 3 of indictment no. 14-140; terms of one year on each of Counts 2, 8-16 and 20-24 of indictment no. 13-61 and Count 6 of indictment no. 14-140; and a term of three years on Count 3 of indictment no. 13-61, all terms to run concurrently to each other.

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### **SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF SUPERVISION**

Defendant shall provide his probation officer with full disclosure of his financial records to include yearly income tax returns upon request. The defendant shall cooperate with his probation officer in the investigation of his financial dealings and shall provide truthful monthly statements of his income, if requested.

Defendant shall not incur any new credit card charges or open additional lines of credit without the approval of his probation officer unless the defendant is in compliance with a payment schedule for any court-ordered financial obligations. Defendant shall not encumber or liquidate interest in any assets unless it is in direct service his Court-ordered financial obligations or otherwise has the express approval of the Court.

Defendant shall refrain from the illegal possession and/or use of drugs and shall submit to urinalysis or other forms of testing to ensure compliance. If recommended, defendant shall participate in substance abuse treatment, abide by the rules of any program and remain in treatment until satisfactorily discharged.

Defendant shall refrain from the use of alcohol and shall submit to urinalysis or other forms of testing to ensure compliance. Defendant shall participate in alcohol abuse treatment, abide by the rules of any program and shall remain in treatment until satisfactorily discharged.

Defendant shall participate in a mental health program for evaluation and/or treatment and comply with all recommendations for treatment. Defendant shall abide by the rules of any such treatment and remain until satisfactorily discharged.



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**CRIMINAL MONETARY PENALTIES**

The defendant must pay the total criminal monetary penalties under the schedule of payments on Sheet 6.

	<u>Assessment</u>	<u>Fine</u>	<u>Restitution</u>
<b>TOTALS</b>	\$ 2,300.00	\$ NONE	\$ 595,289.80

☐ The determination of restitution is deferred until \_\_\_\_\_. An *Amended Judgment in a Criminal Case (AO 245C)* will be entered after such determination.

X The defendant must make restitution (including community restitution) to the following payees in the amount listed below.

If the defendant makes a partial payment, each payee shall receive an approximately proportioned payment, unless specified otherwise in the priority order or percentage payment column below. However, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3664(i), all nonfederal victims must be paid before the United States is paid.

<u>Name of Payee</u>	<u>Total Loss*</u>	<u>Restitution Ordered</u>	<u>Priority or Percentage</u>
PNC Bank	(13-61)\$209,606.77	(13-61)\$209,606.77	100%
Loss Prevention 8800 Tinicum Blvd 5 <sup>th</sup> Floor M/S: F6-F166-05-M Philadelphia, PA 19153	(14-140) \$133,300.00	(14-140)\$133,300.00	100%
Fulton Bank Attn: Mark McLaughlin 533 Fellowship Road Suite 250 Mt. Laurel, NJ 08054	(13-61) \$4,797.98	(13-61) \$4,797.98	100%
Wells Fargo Bank 101 North Independence Mall East 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor Mail Code Y1372-033 Philadelphia, PA 19106	(13-61) \$209,606.77	(13-61)209,606.77	100%

**TOTALS** \$ 595,289.80 \$ 595,289.80

☐ Restitution amount ordered pursuant to plea agreement \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ The defendant must pay interest on restitution and a fine of more than \$2,500, unless the restitution or fine is paid in full before the fifteenth day after the date of the judgment, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3612(f). All of the payment options on Sheet 6 may be subject to penalties for delinquency and default, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3612(g).

X The court determined that the defendant does not have the ability to pay interest and it is ordered that:

X the interest requirement is waived for the fine X restitution.

☐ the interest requirement for the ☐ fine ☐ restitution is modified as follows:

\* Findings for the total amount of losses are required under Chapters 109A, 110, 110A, and 113A of Title 18 for offenses committed on or after September 13, 1994, but before April 23, 1996.



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**ADDITIONAL TERMS FOR CRIMINAL MONETARY PENALTIES**

The defendant's restitution obligation shall not be affected by any restitution payments made by any other indicted or unindicted co-conspirators, except no further payments shall be required after the sum of the amounts actually paid by all involved persons has fully satisfied this loss.

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**ADDITIONAL RESTITUTION PAYEES**

<b><u>Name of Payee</u></b>	<b><u>Total Loss*</u></b>	<b><u>Restitution Ordered</u></b>	<b><u>Priority or Percentage</u></b>
TD Bank Global Security and Investigation Attn: Security Admin 9000 Atrium Way Mt. Laurel, NJ 080054	(13-61) \$168,051.68	(13-61) \$168,051.68	100%

\* Findings for the total amount of losses are required under Chapters 109A, 110, 110A, and 113A of Title 18 for offenses committed on or after September 13, 1994, but before April 23, 1996.

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### SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

Having assessed the defendant's ability to pay, payment of the total criminal monetary penalties is due as follows:

- A ☐ Lump sum payment of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ due immediately, balance due  
     ☐ not later than \_\_\_\_\_, or  
     ☐ in accordance with ☐ C, ☐ D, ☐ E, or ☒ F below; or
- B ☒ Payment to begin immediately (may be combined with ☐ C, ☐ D, or ☒ F below); or
- C ☐ Payment in equal \_\_\_\_\_ (e.g., weekly, monthly, quarterly) installments of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ over a period of \_\_\_\_\_ (e.g., months or years), to commence \_\_\_\_\_ (e.g., 30 or 60 days) after the date of this judgment; or
- D ☐ Payment in equal \_\_\_\_\_ (e.g., weekly, monthly, quarterly) installments of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ over a period of \_\_\_\_\_ (e.g., months or years), to commence \_\_\_\_\_ (e.g., 30 or 60 days) after release from imprisonment to a term of supervision; or
- E ☐ Payment during the term of supervised release will commence within \_\_\_\_\_ (e.g., 30 or 60 days) after release from imprisonment. The court will set the payment plan based on an assessment of the defendant's ability to pay at that time; or
- F ☒ Special instructions regarding the payment of criminal monetary penalties:  
     If defendant should become employed while incarcerated then monies earned may be applied to his Court ordered financial obligations at a minimum rate of \$25.00 per quarter. All remaining balances of Court ordered financial obligations shall become a condition of defendant's supervised release and paid at a rate of no less than \$100.00 per month. Payments shall begin 60 days upon defendant's release from custody.

Unless the court has expressly ordered otherwise, if this judgment imposes imprisonment, payment of criminal monetary penalties is due during imprisonment. All criminal monetary penalties, except those payments made through the Federal Bureau of Prisons' Inmate Financial Responsibility Program, are made to the clerk of the court.

The defendant shall receive credit for all payments previously made toward any criminal monetary penalties imposed.

☒ Joint and Several

Defendant and Co-Defendant Names and Case Numbers (including defendant number), Total Amount, Joint and Several Amount, and corresponding payee, if appropriate.

\*(See Next Page)\*

- ☐ The defendant shall pay the cost of prosecution.
- ☐ The defendant shall pay the following court cost(s):
- ☒ The defendant shall forfeit the defendant's interest in the following property to the United States:  
     \$461,989.80 in US currency on indictment no. 13-61 and \$133,300.00 in US currency on indictment no. 14-140
- ☐ Payments shall be applied in the following order: (1) assessment, (2) restitution principal, (3) restitution interest, (4) fine principal, (5) fine interest, (6) community restitution, (7) penalties, and (8) costs, including cost of prosecution and court costs.

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### ADDITIONAL DEFENDANTS AND CO-DEFENDANTS HELD JOINT AND SEVERAL

Case Number Defendant and Co-Defendant Names (including defendant number)	Total Amount	Joint and Several Amount	Corresponding Payee, if appropriate
Derrick Floyd (13CR61-001)	\$212,833.37	\$54,954.00	PNC Bank
Cynthia Nowicki (13CR61-002)	\$212,833.37	\$45,954.00	PNC Bank
Cynthia Nowicki (13CR61-002)	\$209,606.77	\$5,309.39	Wells Fargo Bank
Roderic Grady (13CR-61-005)	\$209,606.77	\$90,000.00	Wells Fargo Bank
Martina Grady (13CR61-006)	\$209,606.77	\$10,000.00	Wells Fargo Bank
Shaun Terrell Mays (13CR224-001)	\$168,051.68	\$37,411.00	TD Bank
Shaun Terrell Mays (13CR224-001)	\$212,833.37	\$81,876.00	PNC Bank
Shaun Terrell Mays (13CR224-001)	\$209,606.77	\$204,350.00	Wells Fargo
Tyrone Hill (08CR331-001)	\$212,833.37	\$9,200.00	PNC Bank
Elbert Green (08CR754-001)	\$212,833.37	\$32,000.00	PNC Bank
Christopher Britt (10CR314-001)	\$212,833.37	\$22,600.00	PNC Bank
John Austin (09CR53-001)	\$212,833.37	\$58,500.00	PNC
Norman Ross (13CR-7)	\$168,051.68	\$29,479.78	TD Bank